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1. Shipbuilding

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The remainder of the shipbuilding program for the VVW has nearly been completed at this dockyard and it is calculated that the last ship will leave the dockyard at the beginning of January 1952. The following ships have just been finished or are nearly complete;

a. Kuehllogger [] left the dockyard with a Russian crew proceeding towards Kaliningrad on 26 November. 25X1

b. Seiner [] left the dockyard with a Russian crew proceeding towards Kaliningrad on 28 November. 25X1

c. Seiner [] is finished but is awaiting a Russian crew.

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e. Seiner [] is 99% complete. Slight adjustments are to be made as a result of a trial run.

f. Steel cutters [] are about 90% ready. They are numbered 6 to 10 (sic) and are destined for the Seepolizei. They are 34 meters long, have a beam of 7 meters and a molded depth of approximately 6 meters. They are equipped with three machine guns, with approximately 2 cms. caliber for high angle and normal firing. 25X1

g. Seepolizeiboote [] are, contrary to former reports, equipped with four machine guns (not two) of Type 42, with two on the fore end of the

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of the bridge and two on the afterdeck. Each vessel has three engines (Junkers type 204 of 450 hp each) which were delivered by Dieselmotorenwerk Rostock. These engines are not entirely satisfactory; for example, they have developed vibrations, but it is hoped that adjustments to the engine mountings and the propeller shafts will eliminate the vibrations. The estimated speed of these vessels will be approximately 19 knots.

- h. The construction of coastal defense boats (Kuestenschutzboote) is also planned but at present no details are available.

2. The dockyard

The construction of the shipbuilding shed is complete. The work of equipping the shed with machine tools, cranes, storerooms, etc. is being held up by the lack of engine parts. It is hoped to procure these from other dockyards and/or factories. Central heating equipment has been installed. On 15 December, protection of the dockyard will be taken over by a detachment of Volkspolizei which will be accompanied by police dogs. The personnel, which will total 3,700 in 1952, is at present 2,600. The shortage of accommodations for the workmen is causing difficulty, and the local authorities are planning to build workers' dwellings to ease the situation.

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* Comment: A refrigerator fitted lugger.

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